

Provisional Vital Statistics for November 2009

Live births increased slightly in November as 6,083 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,014 one year earlier. This was the only month in 2009 with a birth increase as cumulative births for the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November both show substantial decreases.

Deaths decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-November, deaths decreased by 5.5 percent from 51,451 to 48,600.

The **Natural increase** in November was 1,761 (6,083 births minus 4,322 deaths). The cumulative natural increases for the 11- and 12-month periods ending with November both went up.

Marriages decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January-November, marriages decreased by 3.3 percent.

Dissolutions of marriage increased slightly for all three time periods. For the 12 months ending with November, the marriage to divorce ratio decreased from 1.83 to 1.76.

Infant deaths increased in November, but decreased for the cumulative 11- and 12-month periods ending with November. For January-November, the infant death rate decreased from 7.1 to 6.8 per 1,000 live births.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>November</u>				<u>Jan.-Nov. Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with November</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Live Births	6,014	6,083	12.4	12.4	74,237	72,068	13.7	13.2	81,008	78,775	14.0	13.7	13.2
Deaths	4,535	4,322	9.4	8.8	51,451	48,600	9.5	8.9	56,262	53,427	9.2	9.5	9.0
Natural increase	1,479	1,761	3.1	3.6	22,786	23,468	4.2	4.3	24,746	25,348	4.8	4.2	4.3
Marriages	2,778	2,268	5.7	4.6	37,670	36,424	7.0	6.7	40,259	38,900	6.9	6.8	6.5
Dissolutions	1,628	1,652	3.4	3.4	20,214	20,236	3.7	3.7	21,958	22,154	3.8	3.7	3.7
Infant deaths	34	42	5.7	6.9	527	487	7.1	6.8	569	543	7.5	7.0	6.9
Population base (in thousands)	....	....	5,912	5,952	....	....	5,912	5,952	....	....	5,874	5,916	5,948

* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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